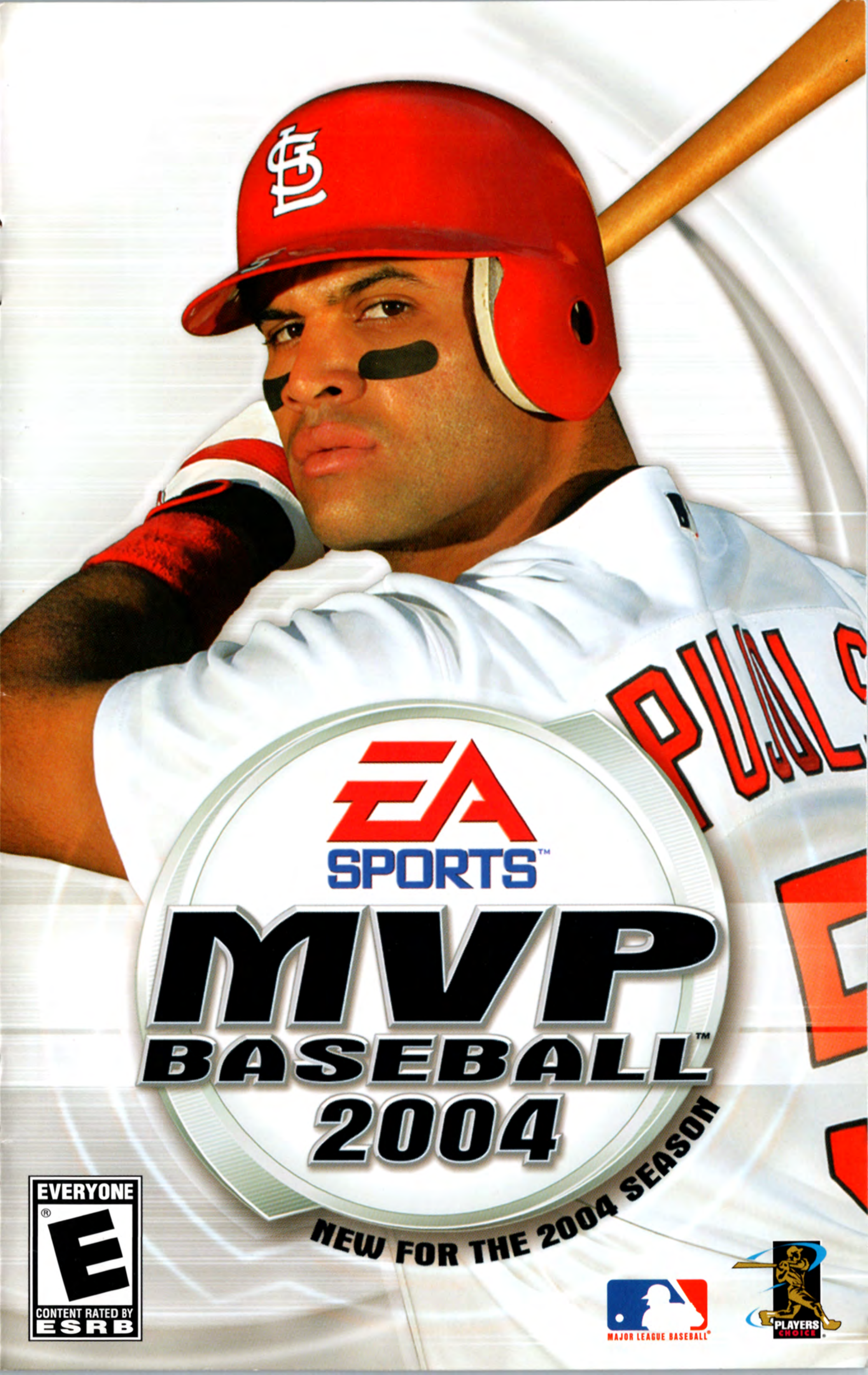
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MVP BASEBALL™ 2004
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STARTING THE GAME

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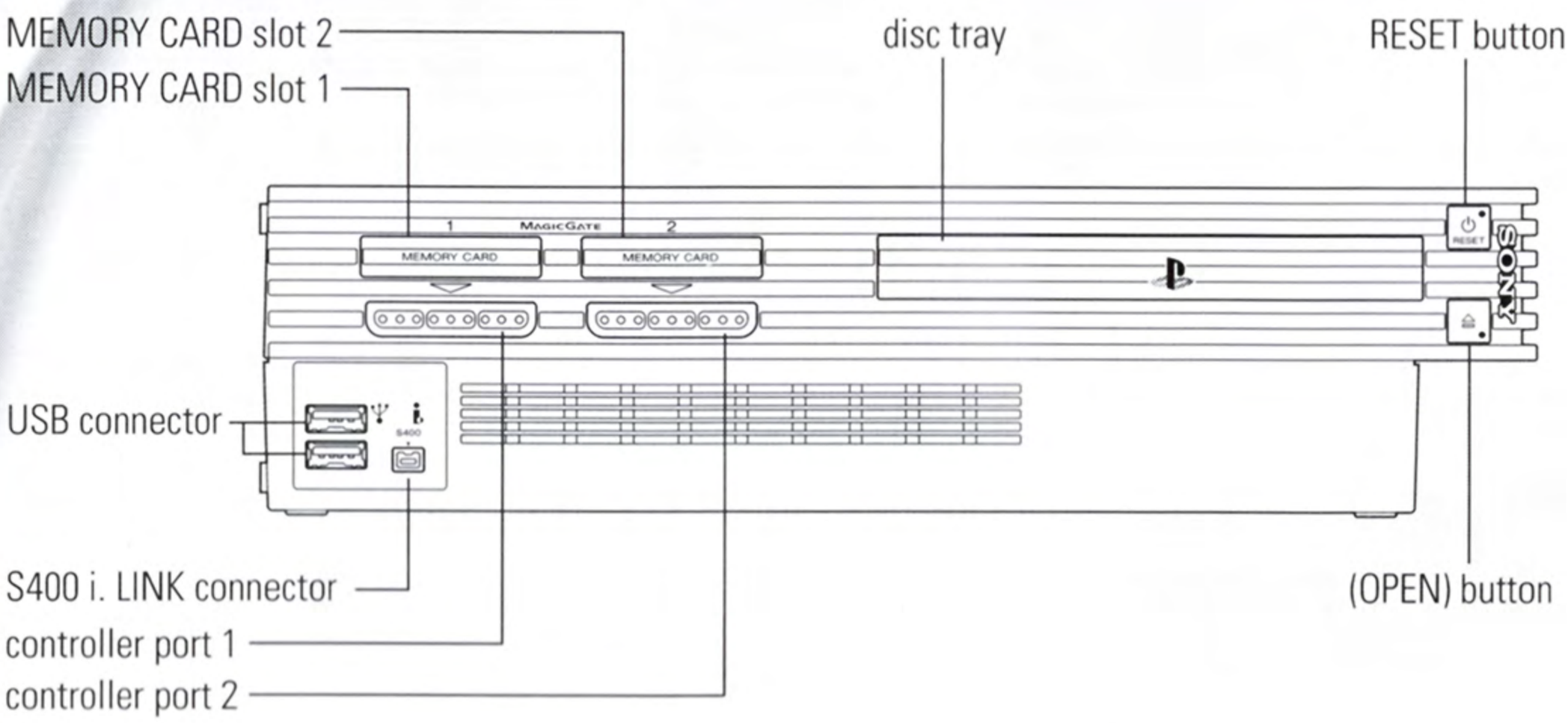
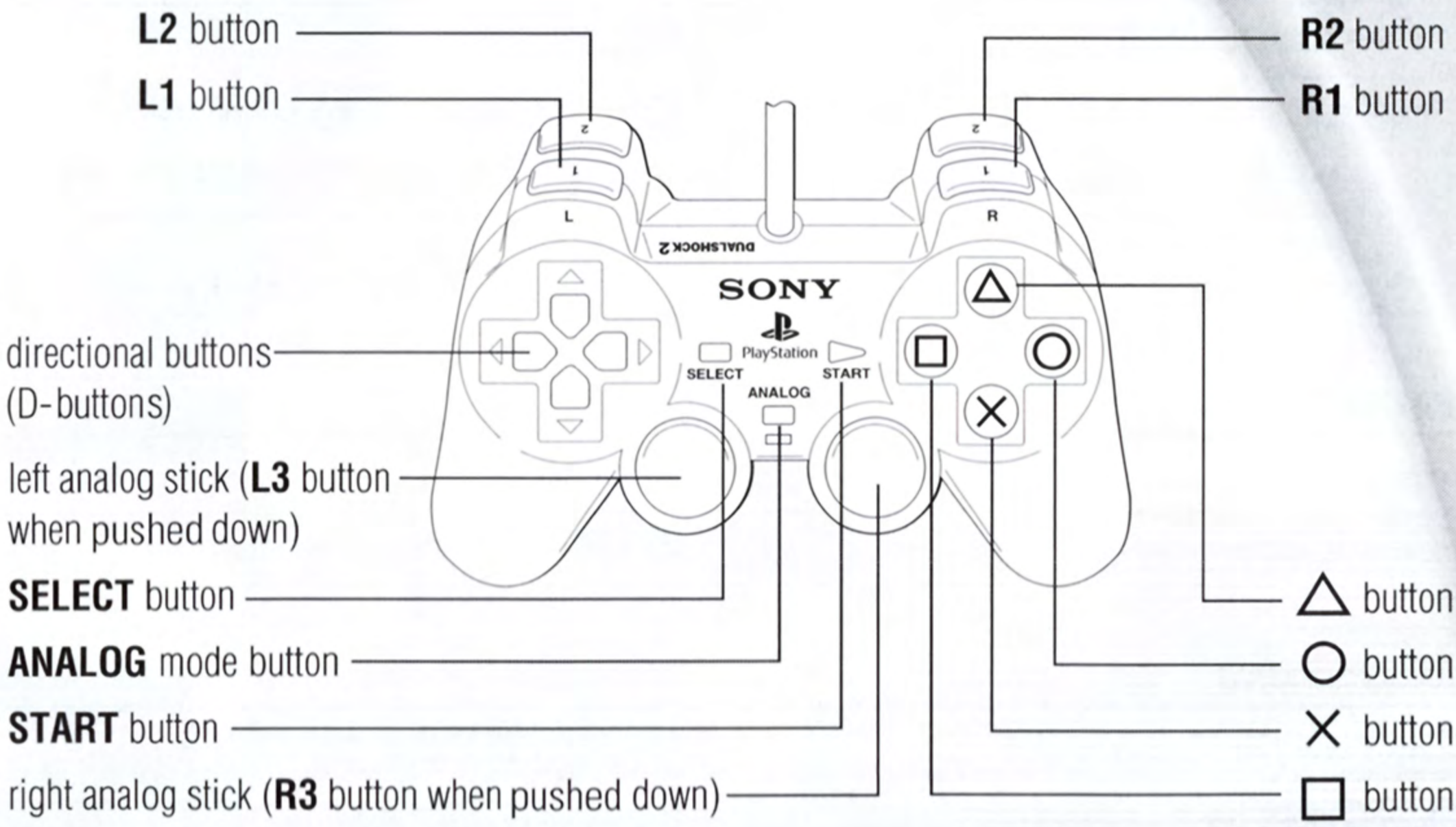


1. Set up your PlayStation®2 computer entertainment system according to the instructions in its Instruction Manual.
2. Make sure the MAIN POWER switch (located at the back of the console) is turned on.
3. Press the RESET button. When the power indicator lights up, press the open button and the disc tray will open.
4. Place the *MVP Baseball™ 2004* disc on the disc tray with the label side facing up. Press the open button again and the disc tray will close.
5. Attach game controllers and other peripherals, as appropriate.
6. Follow on-screen instructions and refer to this manual for information on using the software.

COMMAND REFERENCE

DUALSHOCK®2 ANALOG CONTROLLER CONFIGURATIONS



MENU CONTROLS

Highlight menu items	D-button ⇳
Cycle choices/Move sliders	D-button ⇔
Select/Go to next screen	⊗ button
Return to previous screen	△ button

BASIC CONTROLS

Lace up your cleats, grab your glove, and check out these basic controls: it's game time.

❖ These are just the basics. For a complete list of controls, ➤ *Complete Controls* on p. 5.

PITCHING

Choose **pitch location**	left analog stick
Throw a pitch	⊗ button, ○ button, △ button, □ button, or **R1** button (hold, release at the end of the pitch meter, then press again in the green accuracy zone at beginning of pitch meter)

BATTING

Swing	⊗ button
Square to **bunt**	**R3** button (release to pull back)

BASERUNNING

Control runner at 1st/2nd/3rd	○ button/△ button/□ button
Steal/Choose **base destination**	D-button (toward base)
Advance/Retreat all runners	**L1** button/**R1** button
Slide	➤ *EA SPORTS™ Big Play Control* on p. 8

FIELDING

Move fielder	left analog stick
Throw to 1st/2nd/3rd/Home	○ button/△ button/□ button/⊗ button (hold to power up, release to throw)
Change fielder	**L1** button

COMPLETE CONTROLS

It's easy to jump into *MVP Baseball 2004* and play like a pro. Here's all you need to know to start your Major League Baseball™ career.

- To really master your skills on the diamond, check out the in-game tutorial (via the Main menu).

OFFENSE

With the new EA SPORTS™ Pure Swing System, you have more control to slap a single the other way, drill an extra-base hit down the line, or blast a hanging curve into the bleachers.

BATTING

Swing	⊗ button
Square to **bunt**	**R3** button (release to pull back)

- The strike zone is divided into nine colored squares. Red squares marks the batter's hot zones. Blue squares are the batter's cold zones. Clear squares are neutral for the batter.

EA SPORTS™ PURE SWING SYSTEM

Take unprecedented control at the plate by pressing the left analog stick during your swing.

- The results of your swing depend on your timing, the location of the pitch, and the direction you press the left analog stick.
- For the best results, press the left analog stick towards the location of the pitch.

➲ **To hit the ball in the air**, press the left analog stick ⇖/⇧/⇗ while swinging. This increases the chances of hitting a fly ball, but also increases your chances of missing the ball if the pitch isn't up in the zone.

➲ **To hit the ball on the ground**, press the left analog stick ⇙/⇩/⇘ while swinging. Keep in mind that high pitches are very difficult to hit on the ground.

➲ **To hit the ball to the left**, press the left analog stick ⇙/⇦/⇖ while swinging. For the best results, use this technique when the pitch is coming in on the left side of the plate.

➲ **To hit the ball to the right**, press the left analog stick ⇘/⇨/⇗ while swinging. For the best results, use this technique when the pitch is coming in on the right side of the plate.

BASERUNNING

Control runner at 1st/2nd/3rd	◉ button/△ button/▣ button
Steal/Choose **base destination**	D-button (toward base you are trying to steal) **L2** button (stop selected runner) **R2** button (stop all runners)
Slide	➤ *EA SPORTS™ Big Play Control* on p. 8
Retreat runner	D-button (toward base you want to return to)
Advance/Retreat runners	**L1** button/**R1** button
Increase/Decrease **leadoff**	right analog stick ⇧ (increase all leadoffs); right analog stick ⇩ (decrease all leadoffs); right analog stick ⇦ (increase lead of highlighted runner); right analog stick ⇨ (decrease lead of highlighted runner)

NOTE: If you do not select a runner, your baserunning command defaults to the lead baserunner.

➲ To steal, press the ◉ button, △ button, or ▣ button to select your runner, then press the D-button to select the base to steal.

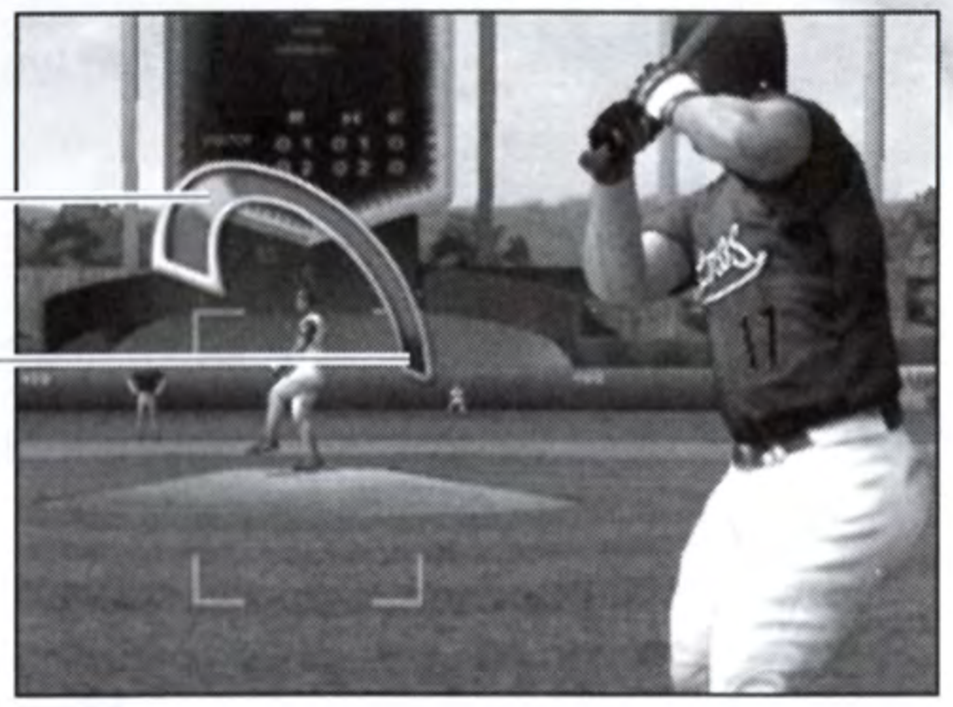
DEFENSE

PITCHING

Choose **pitch location**	left analog stick
Throw a pitch	⊗ button, ◉ button, △ button, ▣ button, or **R1** button
Pickoff attempt	**L1** button + ◉ button, △ button, or ▣ button
Pitchout	**L1** button + ⊗ button
Intentionally walk a batter	**L1** button + **R3** button
Intentionally hit a batter	**L1** button + **L3** button
Choose infield/outfield alignment (before pitch)	**R2** button (hold) + D-button ⇳ (D-button ⇔ to choose a category)
View **pitch history**	**L3** + **L1** button or **R1** button to toggle at bats
View Bullpen/Dugout menu	**L2** button + D-button ⇳ (D-button ⇔ to toggle between bullpens and dugouts)

NOTE: The CPU automatically adjusts your defensive alignment based on the situation. However, you can override this by choosing the infield and outfield alignments yourself.

PITCH METER



TO THROW A PITCH:

1. Press and hold the button that corresponds to the pitch you want to throw. The bar inside the pitch meter begins moving.
2. Release the pitch button when the bar reaches the end of the pitch meter. The closer your release point is to the end of the meter, the more effective the pitch is.
3. Press the pitch button again when the bar is within the green accuracy zone near the beginning of the pitch cycle to determine the pitch's accuracy.

- ❖ The effect of a bad pitch depends on the type of pitch. For example, ineffective fastballs are slower than normal, and less effective breaking pitches are flatter.
- ❖ If a pitcher misses the green accuracy zone by a considerable amount, an indicator (red for hot zone, blue for cold zone, yellow for ball, white for neutral) appears to tip off the batter to the location of the pitch.

PITCH SELECTION

Your pitcher's pitch selection appears on-screen. Not all pitchers have the same arsenal of pitches. A pitcher's four-seam fastball is always assigned to the ⊗ button. The remaining pitches are assigned to the ◉ button, the △ button, the ▣ button, and the **R1** button (though not all pitchers have five pitches).

FIELDING

Your first of many Gold Gloves awaits.

Move fielder	left analog stick
Change fielders	**L1** button
EA SPORTS™ Big Play Control (➤ p. 8)	right analog stick
Throw to Home, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd	⊗ button, ◉ button, △ button, and ▣ button (hold to power up, release to throw)
Throw to the cut-off man	**R1** button (hold to power up, release to throw)

- ❖ If you power up the throw into the red zone, you throw harder, but less accurately, which could result in an error.
- ❖ If you select to throw to either a base or the cut-off man before the ball arrives, the fielder begins his throw immediately upon receiving the ball.

EA SPORTS™ BIG PLAY CONTROL

Using the all-new EA SPORTS™ Big Play Control, you can climb the fence to rob home runs, make spectacular diving catches, slide around tags, and more.

FIELDING

- To dive or stretch for a ball just out of your reach, press the right analog stick ⇦/⇨ toward the ball.
- To climb the wall to snag a would-be home run or jump for a ball over your head, press the right analog stick ⇧.
- To make a sliding catch, press the right analog stick ⇩ as the ball approaches.

BASERUNNING

Timing is the key to a perfect slide. Use EA SPORTS Big Play Control to create havoc on the base paths.

Head-first slide	right analog stick ⇧
Head-first slide to the **left/right** side of the bag	right analog stick ⇖/⇗
Pop-up slide	right analog stick ⇩
Hook slide to the right/left side of the bag	right analog stick ⇘/⇙
Dislodge ball from catcher	right analog stick ⇧

PLAY NOW

Pick your teams and get on the field. In Play Now mode, it's that simple.

TO START A PLAY NOW GAME:

1. Select PLAY NOW from the Main menu. The Select Team screen appears.

SELECT TEAM SCREEN

Choose between the Major League, AAA, and AA teams for this franchise

Away team

Home team

Skill rankings

Team's overall ranking

2. From the Select Team screen, move the controller icon beneath the team (Home or Away) you want to play as.

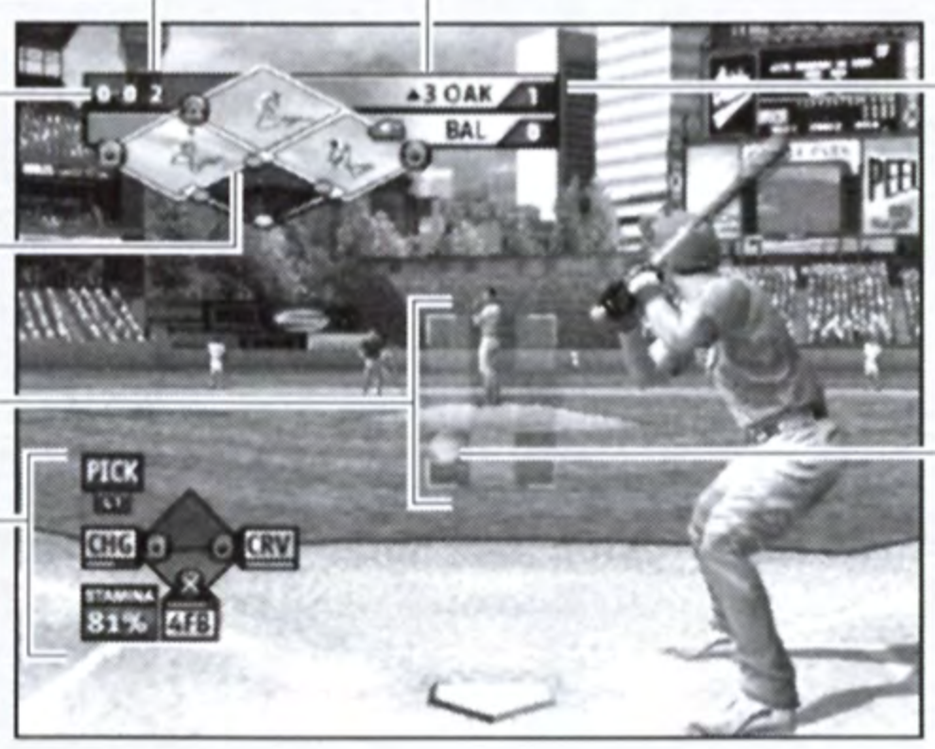
❖ The Select Team screen shows rankings for pitching (baseball icon), batting (bat icon), fielding (glove icon), and speed (shoe icon).

3. Select the teams, choose jerseys, and then select your difficulty setting. That's it. It's game time.

ON THE DIAMOND

Baseball is a game of strategy, so take a good look at the field before making your next move.

GAME SCREEN



Outs

Inning

Balls-Strikes

Game score

Baserunning picture-in-picture

Strike zone box

Pitching cursor

Pitch selection

PAUSE MENU

➲ To access the Pause menu, press the **START** button.

MINOR LEAGUES

For the first time ever, you can play as any AAA or AA team. The following list shows each Major League Baseball™ team and their minor league affiliates.

TEAM	*AAA AFFILIATE (ABBREVIATION)*	*AA AFFILIATE (ABBREVIATION)*
Anaheim Angels (ANA)	Salt Lake Stingers **(SL)**	Arkansas Travelers **(ARK)**
Arizona Diamondbacks (ARI)	Tucson Sidewinders **(TUC)**	El Paso Diablos **(EP)**
Atlanta Braves (ATL)	Richmond Braves **(RIC)**	Greenville Braves **(GRE)**
Baltimore Orioles (BAL)	Ottawa Lynx **(OTT)**	Bowie Baysox **(BOW)**
Boston Red Sox (BOS)	Pawtucket Red Sox **(PAW)**	Portland Sea Dogs **(PSD)**
Chicago Cubs (CHC)	Iowa Cubs **(IOW)**	West Tenn Diamond Jaxx **(WT)**
Chicago White Sox (CWS)	Charlotte Knights **(CHA)**	Birmingham Barons **(BIR)**
Cincinnati Reds (CIN)	Louisville Bats **(LOU)**	Chattanooga Lookouts **(CHT)**
Cleveland Indians (CLE)	Buffalo Bisons **(BUF)**	Akron Aeros **(AKR)**
Colorado Rockies (COL)	Colorado Springs Sky Sox **(CS)**	Tulsa Drillers **(TUL)**
Detroit Tigers (DET)	Toledo Mud Hens **(TOL)**	Erie SeaWolves **(ERI)**
Florida Marlins (FLA)	Albuquerque Isotopes **(ALB)**	Carolina Mudcats **(CAR)**
Houston Astros (HOU)	New Orleans Zephyrs **(NO)**	Round Rock Express **(RR)**
Kansas City Royals (KC)	Omaha Royals **(OMA)**	Wichita Wranglers **(WIC)**
Los Angeles Dodgers (LA)	Las Vegas 51s **(LV)**	Jacksonville Suns **(JAX)**
Milwaukee Brewers (MIL)	Indianapolis Indians **(IND)**	Huntsville Stars **(HUN)**
Minnesota Twins (MIN)	Rochester Red Wings **(ROC)**	New Britain Rock Cats **(NB)**
Montreal Expos (MON)	Edmonton Trappers **(EDM)**	Harrisburg Senators **(HAR)**
New York Mets (NYM)	Norfolk Tides **(NOR)**	Binghamton Mets **(BNG)**
New York Yankees (NYY)	Columbus Clippers **(CLS)**	Trenton Thunder **(TRE)**
Oakland Athletics (OAK)	Sacramento River Cats **(SAC)**	Midland RockHounds **(MID)**
Philadelphia Phillies (PHI)	Scranton/Wilkes-Barre Red Barons **(SWB)**	Reading Phillies **(REA)**
Pittsburgh Pirates (PIT)	Nashville Sounds **(NSH)**	Altoona Curve **(ALT)**
San Diego Padres (SD)	Portland Beavers **(POR)**	Mobile BayBears **(MOB)**
San Francisco Giants (SF)	Fresno Grizzlies **(FRE)**	Norwich Navigators **(NOW)**
Seattle Mariners (SEA)	Tacoma Rainiers **(TAC)**	San Antonio Missions **(SA)**
St. Louis Cardinals (STL)	Memphis Redbirds **(MEM)**	Tennessee Smokies **(TEN)**
Tampa Bay Devil Rays (TB)	Durham Bulls **(DUR)**	Montgomery Biscuits **(MNT)**
Texas Rangers (TEX)	Oklahoma RedHawks **(OKL)**	Frisco RoughRiders **(FRI)**
Toronto Blue Jays (TOR)	Syracuse SkyChiefs **(SYR)**	New Hampshire Fisher Cats **(NH)**

OTHER GAME MODES

MVP Baseball 2004 gives you enough game modes to keep you busy all the way from the off-season to the World Series.

EXHIBITION

Set up a one-time game with the rules you want. Every detail is up to you—you're in charge.

NOTE: Set up a game in Exhibition mode like you would a Play Now game. However, Exhibition mode gives you a bit more control over rosters and options.

DYNASTY MODE™

General manager, player, or manager—with Dynasty Mode, you get to be them all. From setting the day-to-day lineup to signing free agents, you control every aspect of your team—from the Major League Baseball™ team all the way through the AAA and AA squads.

DYNASTY MANAGEMENT

The Dynasty Management screen is your hub to build your team into a contender. After you select a team and set your options, Season 1 begins.

DYNASTY MANAGEMENT SCREEN

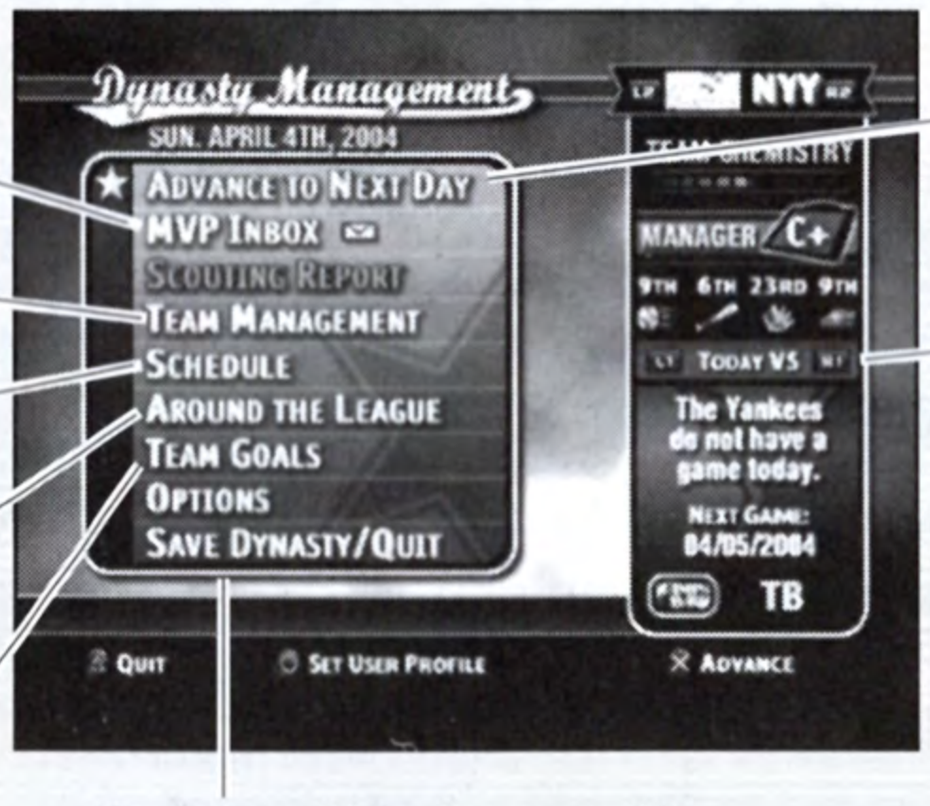
Read messages from players, staff, and media

➤ *Team Management* on p. 12

Check out your upcoming games

Keep up on standings, statistics, and league news

Review your team goals



➤ *Saving and Loading* on p. 18

Advance to next day on the schedule

Change the display between: today's opponents, your next three games, team budget, and division standings

TEAM MANAGEMENT

Conduct trades and tinker with the lineup to bring together and maintain a quality squad.

TRANSACTIONS Trade players and sign free agents.

ROSTERS Adjust your team roster, see who's on the disabled list, create a player, and more.

PAYROLL Review your current players' contracts. Exclamation marks appear next to players who are in the final year of their contract.

❖ Your Budget, payroll, and points in the bank are at the bottom of the screen. Decrease payroll and add points to the bank by releasing players. You are penalized if you release a player who is still under contract.

TO OFFER A PLAYER A NEW CONTRACT:

1. Select a player from the Payroll screen. The Player Contract screen appears.
2. View the terms that the player is asking, then adjust the Points and Term as you see fit.
3. Select MAKE OFFER or RELEASE PLAYER. If you make an offer, the player either rejects or accepts your offer.

❖ If your offer is rejected, you may make another one, as long as the player has not refused to negotiate with you.

NOTE: Every time you achieve a goal you increase your manager rating, which gives you the opportunity to receive a contract extension with your current team if they are happy with your performance. You can also receive contract offers with other teams down the road.

OFF-SEASON

The off-season is your chance to improve your roster by resigning your players, courting free agents, and drafting new talent.

❖ Spring training marks the end of the off-season. Use this opportunity to try out your new players and set your opening day lineup.

MVP ONLINE

For the first time, you can see how you stack up against other players across the country. Join the EA SPORTS Nation!

NOTE: IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON THE EA SPORTS™ ONLINE SERVICE, INCLUDING AVAILABILITY FOR PLAY, TERMS AND CONDITIONS, AND MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT CAN BE FOUND AT http://www.easports.com/ps2legal/.

EA RESERVES THE RIGHT TO RETIRE THE EA SPORTS ONLINE SERVICE FOR THIS PRODUCT AFTER 90-DAYS NOTICE, OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE LAST DAY OF THE 2004 BASEBALL SEASON.

YOU MUST BE 13+ TO REGISTER FOR THE EA ONLINE SERVICE.

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PLAYING ONLINE

It's easy to join the EA SPORTS Nation—the quickly growing community of online gamers playing the best sports games in the world.

TO PLAY ONLINE:

1. From the Main menu, select GAME MODES, and then MVP ONLINE.
2. Select your Network Configuration file or create a new one by following the on-screen instructions.
3. Create a new EA SPORTS Online Account or use an existing one. If you already have an EA SPORTS Online Account saved on a memory card (8 MB) (for PlayStation®2), it appears automatically.
   - ❖ Save your account to a memory card to have your account information automatically appear in the MVP Server Login screen the next time you log in.
4. Choose your EA SPORTS User Name.
   - ❖ You can have up to four EA SPORTS User Names. Load, delete, or create new User Names from the User Name screen.

NOTE: If you have an existing screen name on AOL, AOL Instant Messenger (AIM), Compuserve 2000, or Netscape AOL Instant Messenger, you can use it as your EA Account Name. Visit http://www.ea.com/mvp-reg to register, then return to *MVP Baseball 2004* and select USE EXISTING EA ACCOUNT.

PLAYING BEHIND A FIREWALL

We recommend that you do not play behind a firewall. However, if you do wish to play behind a firewall, you must open the following ports: 10002 (peer-to-peer connection); 6000 (VOIP).

WELCOME TO *MVP BASEBALL 2004* ONLINE

Find an opponent based on your skill level, check out the latest EA News, and set your gameplay options for the games you host.

- You must have the most current online rosters to play *MVP Baseball 2004* online. After downloading the online rosters, you can save them to a memory card for the next time you connect online.

NOTE: You can only have one online rosters file saved to a memory card.

NOTE: The game's timeout function may be different than your ISP's. This could lead to high telephone charges if you leave the game unattended.

PLAYER OPTIONS

Highlight a player's name and press the ⊗ button to bring up the player options. From here you can challenge, send or read a private message, block or unblock, add or remove that player to or from your EA Messenger, or report abuse.

CHEATING PREVENTION

The following rules are applied to online games to prevent cheating:

- Games can be ranked or unranked.
- A user is charged with a loss and a disconnect for exiting a ranked game before it is finished.
- Users are penalized for delaying games.
- Users are limited to one pause attempt per batter and two pause attempts per inning.

EA SPORTS™ TALK

EA SPORTS Talk lets you talk to other players. EA SPORTS Talk is activated as soon as you connect to your opponent. The microphone icon represents its status.

- A microphone icon with a green checkmark means a headset is detected on the other user's machine (whether ON or OFF).
- A microphone icon with a red slash means your headset is turned OFF.

NOTE: EA SPORTS Talk supports the Logitech® USB headset, but does not support modem connections. To use EA SPORTS Talk, both players must have broadband connections.

NOTE: During gameplay, if your USB headset is plugged into your console, and you are not able to talk to your opponent:

- Your opponent may not have a USB headset connected to their console.
- Your opponent may be connecting to the Internet through a dial-up modem connection.
- You and your opponent may have a low quality connection to each other.

NOTE: *MVP Baseball 2004* supports a USB keyboard for typing messages.

HOME RUN SHOWDOWN

Bust out the serious lumber and aim for the bleachers. The first player to reach the target distance wins.

➲ To start a Home Run Showdown, set up the game like you would for an Exhibition game (➤ p. 11), choose the target distance for the showdown, and then start swinging.

❖ Fair balls add distance to your total in feet—foul balls subtract from your total. Home runs give you a 100-foot bonus, while strikes subtract 100 feet. Money Balls double the score of any fair ball.

PITCHER SHOWDOWN

It's all about racking up the Ks in the all-new Pitcher Showdown. The first pitcher to reach the point level wins.

➲ To start a Pitcher Showdown, set up the game like you would for an Exhibition game (➤ p. 11), choose a point total for the match-up, and get ready to bring the heat.

❖ You attempt to record 3, 6, or 9 strikeouts—you receive + 1 for each strikeout, -1 for each HR allowed, and -1 for each walk.

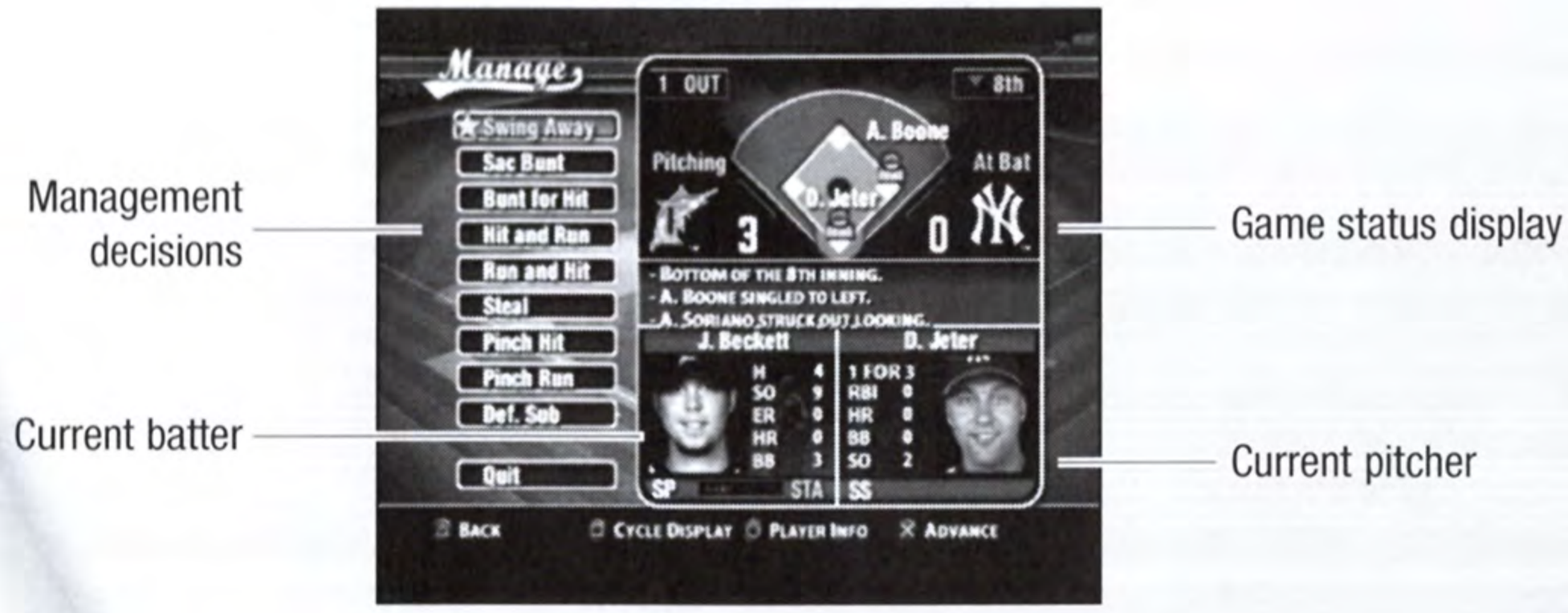
MANAGER MODE

Sometimes you want to just sit back and manage the action. Manager mode puts the strategy of the game completely in your hands, while leaving the on-the-field execution to the players.

➲ To start a Manager mode, choose your gameplay options, then proceed like you would for an Exhibition game (➤ p. 11).

NOTE: Manager mode is a one-player only mode.

MANAGER CHALLENGE SCREEN



SCENARIO EDITOR

Two outs, bottom of the ninth, bases loaded—instantly throw yourself into any game situation.

➲ To play a certain situation, pick all the details of the match-up, and then proceed like you would in Exhibition mode (➤ p. 11).

MY MVP

My MVP is the home of your EA SPORTS Bio, User Profiles, MVP Rewards, Trophy Room, and your User Stats.

EA SPORTS™ BIO

Your EA SPORTS Bio is a file shared between EA SPORTS games via your memory card that tracks key accomplishments and time spent playing different titles in the EA SPORTS lineup.

❖ The first time you select EA SPORTS Bio from the My MVP screen, with a memory card in MEMORY CARD slot 1, you are prompted to create an EA SPORTS Bio. You are also prompted when you complete accomplishments or reach a new gamer level.

EA SPORTS GAMER LEVELS

You start out as a Level 1 gamer. There are three ways to earn credit toward a promotion to the next level: EA SPORTS titles played, amount of time playing the games, number of games played and completed.

NOTE: You earn bonus points for games you win.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

In each EA SPORTS game, there are accomplishments you can achieve that vary by title. You can view your five Major Accomplishments and your Recent Accomplishments.

NOTE: *MVP Baseball 2004* only supports EA SPORTS Bio in MEMORY CARD slot 1.

USER PROFILES

Don't let all your hard work go to waste. Create up to four User Profiles to keep track of and save your accomplishments and stats.

➲ Create, edit, save, and delete your profiles in the User Profiles screen.

MVP REWARDS

If you want to see Cy Young pitch to Jackie Robinson in the Polo Grounds, this is where you can make it happen. Earn MVP points by completing various tasks, then use those points to unlock legendary teams and players, retro jerseys, and classic stadiums. Accumulated MVP points are added to your User Profile, so don't forget to save your Profile after completing a task.

➲ Check out the MVP Points Checklist to see what you need to do to earn those MVP points.

MVP POINTS CHECKLIST SCREEN

Game mode you must use to complete task
Description of the task
MVP Checklist
In-Game
User BIGD 0
★ Win a game in extra innings - a repeatable task
25 MVP Points
★ Score 10 runs in one game - a repeatable task
50 MVP Points
★ Hit 2 HR with the same player in a game - a repeatable task
100 MVP Points
★ Have a player hit a grand slam in a game - a repeatable task
150 MVP Points
B Back
User Profile and MVP points earned
MVP points up for grabs

OTHER MAIN MENU OPTIONS

You control every detail of the action. Customize rosters, choose your options, and review tutorials.

ROSTER MANAGEMENT

Shift the balance of power in the league or level the playing field by making changes to any team's roster.

- After selecting ROSTER MANAGEMENT from the Main menu, you can sign or release free agents, trade players, create your own players, and edit player attributes.

OPTIONS

From Audio and Gameplay Options to the songs played from the Jukebox, use the Options menu to truly make *MVP Baseball 2004* your game.

- Save your Options to a memory card so they can be loaded anytime you play (➤ below).

MVP TIPS

MVP Baseball 2004 is a deep game, and though it's easy to pick up and play, it takes a lot of practice before you can excel at the All-Star level. MVP Tips teach you everything from the fundamentals to the more advanced features of the game.

- The tutorial videos cover various aspects of pitching, batting, and fielding.

SAVING AND LOADING

You can save or load Options configurations, user profiles, Rosters, and Dynasty Mode seasons.

NOTE: *MVP Baseball 2004* only supports MEMORY CARD slot 1.

NOTE: Never insert or remove a memory card when loading or saving files.

- A saved Options file and the last User profile saved to a memory card will load automatically at boot-up.

TO SAVE A GAME OR CONFIGURATION:

1. At the Save screen, select to save a new file or overwrite an existing one.
2. Enter a name for the saved file.
3. A pop-up window appears when the save is complete.

NOTE: You can only save one set of Options and it can't have a custom save name.

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